REMARKS

The Examiner has asserted a Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121, requiring restriction of the application to one of the two alleged groups of claims, namely Group 1 (Claims 1-15) and Group 2 (Claims 16-24).

The Applicant hereby elects the Group 1 which consists of claims 1-15. The election is made without waiver, estoppel, or prejudice to the filing of one or more related applications directed to the subject matter of the cancelled claims.

Should the Examiner wish to discuss any of the foregoing in greater detail, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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